GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATISATION OF AIRPORTS
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kolkata Airport is likely to be sold out to the private entrepreneur in the month of September, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the fate of the employees likely to be rendered jobless?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) & (b):- It has been decided to restructure the airports of Airports Authority of India (AAI)as and when found suitable through long term lease. At present, the airports located at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata have been taken up for this exercise. The Financial consultant has submitted the Phase-I& II of the reports, regarding Due Diligence & Valuation and Sales Memorandum & Marketing Plan. Pre-Investment meets have been held to brief the prospective bidders. The lessee for the airport shall be selected through a transparent competetive global bid process.

(c):- There is no proposal to retrench any employee of AAI at Kolkata airport. The legitimate interests of the employees will be safeguarded in the leasing process.